

Assembly Bill No. 3097

CHAPTER 148

An act to add Section 6523.5 to the Government Code, relating to public health.

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AB 3097, Campbell. Health: local agency joint powers agreement.

Existing law requires counties to provide or secure certain public health care services, and authorizes the formation of local health care districts and the establishment of municipal hospitals for the purpose of providing needed public health care services.

Existing law, the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, permits 2 or more public agencies to enter an agreement to jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties.

This bill would provide that, notwithstanding the law relating to joint exercise of powers, a private, nonprofit hospital in a county of the 9th class may enter into joint powers agreements with a public agency.

The bill would also state the finding and declaration of the Legislature that a special law is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6523.5 is added to the Government Code, to read:

6523.5. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a private, nonprofit hospital in a county of the ninth class may enter into a joint powers agreement with a public agency, as defined in Section 6500.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution because of the unique circumstances facing a health care provider in the County of Contra Costa as it works with that county in developing a comprehensive and cost-effective health care system.

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